



Since 2003, Lincoln Cares has helped fund the following projects around our community:

# Thanks, Lincoln!

- Bountiful Prairie Sculpture Renovation
- Historic Lighting at Sunken Gardens
- Picnic Tables at Bowling Lake
- Trago Park Sprayground
- Nebraska Liberty Bell Shelter
- Benches along Holmes Lake Trail Loop
- Bethany Park Shelter Renovation
- Pioneers Park Nature Center Artwork
- War and Victory Restoration
- Park Middle School Teen Center
- Ager Play Center Air Conditioning
- Jamaica North Trail Bridge
- Sunken Gardens Renovation
- Woods Park Shelter
- Prairieland Purchase at Pioneers Park
- Pioneer Woman Restoration
- Antelope Park Shelter Renovation



We love our parks.  
**LINCOLN PARKS**  
FOUNDATION



**TIME WARNER**  
CABLE



The City of Lincoln thanks you for supporting Lincoln Cares. A big thank you also to our matching sponsors—Time Warner Cable and Lincoln Parks Foundation.

## 2009 Lincoln Cares Projects

- Union Plaza
- Witherbee Park Playground
- Hi-tech Portable Play Tower
- Boosalis Trail Renovation
- Solar Heated Pool and Bathhouse Demonstration Project
- Parker's Pals Scholarships



Lincoln Cares  
2740 "A" Street  
Lincoln, NE 68502  
402-441-8264  
lincoln.ne.gov (keyword: cares)

Community Donation Program



(on your **LES** bill)

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# Lincoln Cares—A Community Donation Program

## Help our parks, only \$1 each month!

Even though Lincoln claims no oceans or mountains, we have one of the best park systems in the nation, with 125 parks and 128 miles of trails connecting nearly every part of our city. Our parks system is free and open to the public, 365 days a year.

Parks programs and facilities offer a good deal for Lincoln's residents. According to a 2004 study by the Trust for Public Land, the cost of park and recreation facilities in Lincoln is about \$44 per resident annually—about 25 percent less than the national standard.

*You can help our parks by donating \$1 each month to Lincoln Cares.*

Lincoln Cares is the City of Lincoln's voluntary donation program that offers customers of the Lincoln Electric System (LES) a chance to add \$1 each month to their bill payments to provide funds for parks projects and programs not currently supported by the City budget.

Since 2003, LES customers and corporate donors have contributed more than \$850,000 to Lincoln Cares! These funds pay for the extra programs and projects that make Lincoln an extra special place to live.

Every \$1 donated to Lincoln Cares doubles with support from our matching partners—**Time Warner Cable** and the **Lincoln Parks Foundation**.

Lincoln Cares is a wonderful example of how public-private partnerships can work. Bolstered by matching funds, Lincoln Cares gives everyone a chance to voluntarily do something extra to beautify our community.

Each year, the public-private Lincoln Cares Advisory Board identifies community projects that will receive the contributions. Consideration is given to City projects not included in the regular City improvement budget that benefit a large number of citizens. This voluntary program aims to be an augmentation of tax funds, not a substitution for taxes.

## How Can I Participate in Lincoln Cares?

\* The Lincoln Cares Program is supported by voluntary contributions to help fund park improvement projects. If you would like to contribute, please include an additional \$1.00 with your utility payment. For more information, please call 441-8264 or visit [www.lincoln.ne.gov](http://www.lincoln.ne.gov)

THIS PERIOD THIS YEAR		THIS PERIOD LAST YEAR		DUE DATE	AMOUNT DUE TO LES
Total KWH	Average KWH Per Day	Total KWH	Average KWH Per Day		
481	18	454	16	09/14/08	\$53.11

**LES**  
LINCOLN ELECTRIC SYSTEM

### 4 Easy Ways to Donate:

- > Simply add \$1 to your LES bill payment each month.
- > If you are an automatic bank bill customer and do not have Lincoln Cares automatically added to your monthly bill, just call LES at 475-4211 and ask them to do this for you.
- > If you are not currently an automatic bank bill customer with LES, log on to [www.les.com](http://www.les.com)

and type "Cares" in the search box. Click on the "LES Automatic Bank Billing Form" option. Print and complete the form. Be sure to select the "Lincoln Cares" option and mail or fax to LES (information is on the form). LES will deduct your bill payment from your bank account with an additional \$1 for Lincoln Cares *automatically* each month. *It's a convenient, easy way to support Lincoln Cares!*

RETURN THIS PORTION WITH YOUR PAYMENT

Total Including Lincoln Cares Donation*	\$54.11
DUE DATE	09/14/08
AMOUNT DUE TO LES	\$53.11

- > Send your donation directly to the Lincoln Parks and Recreation Foundation, 2740 "A" Street, Lincoln, NE 68502. Make the check payable to Lincoln Cares.

*It's simple. It's easy.  
Your donation is voluntary  
and tax deductible!*